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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of: **Tatsuya KANDA et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2187**

Serial No.: **10/694,982**

Examiner: **Christian CHACE**

Filed: **October 29, 2003**

Confirmation No.: **5345**

For: **SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD OF
CONTROLLING THE SAME**

Attorney Docket No.: **990249A**

Customer Number: **38834**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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July 6, 2004

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated June 16, 2004.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 25-27; and Group (II), Claims 41-44.

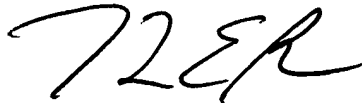
Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (II), Claims 41-44 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, and it is understood that Applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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